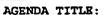


CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION



Request by Efficiency Committee for Council Action

Direction/Concurrence Regarding Continuation of Committee Work Pending Appointment of Replacement for Chairperson

Jack Fiori

MEETING DATE:

February 16, 1994

PREPARED BY:

Assistant City Manager

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the City Council consider options to be followed due to the resignation of the chairperson of the Efficiency Committee. Among those which could be considered are:

- 1) Continue the committee with six (6) members
- Continue the committee with six (6) members and add a seventh at a later date.
- Put future work of the committee on hold until a seventh member is appointed.
- 4) A replacement for the chairperson

BACKGROUND: On February 8, 1994 the Mayor received a letter of resignation from the Efficiency Committee Chairperson, Mr. Jack Fiori.

The committee has requested the Council give them direction as to how the committee should proceed.

FUNDING: None required, Unknown, or Not applicable

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry L. Glenn

Assistant City Manager

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APPROVED

THOMAS A PETERSON City Manager



February 16, 1994

Honorable Mayor
Members of the City Council
Madam Clerk
Mr. Thomas Peterson
City Manager
Mr. Bob McNatt
City Attorney

IN RE CITY OF LODI EFFICIENCY COMMITTEE

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The committee has requested that I notice the honorable individual's above with our concerns and desires regarding our charge and commitment. It is the committee's firm belief that our work should be allowed to proceed with out interruption and abeyance.

We as a committee are prepared to continue with our duties as requested by the City Council on December 1, 1993. It is with sorrow that the committee learned of Joyce Fiori's illness, and their family will remain in our prayer's. The committee does feel, however, that as a member panel of six, we can fulfill the requests made by the City Council.

Should the City Council feel it incumbent to appoint a seventh member, the committee proposes that this individual join in progress the study, and he/she can be enlightened as to our findings upon said appointment. We believe that as a member panel of six, we are within the guidelines established in our charge which clearly states the Efficiency Committee will exist of between five to seven members. The committee defers to the wisdom of the City Council as to whether or not a seventh member is needed, but in the interim, prays that you allow the study to continue pursuant to the belief's of our committee.

The committee further proposes that the new chairman appointed should come from within the present committee, selected from one of the six current members. The committee presents the idea that the committee be allowed to choose the successor for Mr. Fiori, or be allowed to offer their opinions before the City Council as to whom they believe would be a proper replacement for our past chairman.

It is the intention of our committee to work within the guidelines established by the City Council in respect to the scope of our study and responsibilities. The committee readily stipulates that it is our predisposed obligation to study areas where we can offer recommendations that may increase the efficiency of city operations and save the citizens of Lodi taxpayers money. We understand that we serve in the capacity of an advisory committee, with no authority to effect any recommendations that we may offer to the City Council resultant of our study.

It is in this pursuit, and with these intentions that we approach the council. I speak not only for myself, but express the opinions of the committee that were proffered during the Efficiency Committee's last meeting of February 9, 1994. With these thoughts and opinions in mind, we respectively submit them before the City Council for your consideration and action.

Sincerely;

Brian Chavez-Ochoa Member City of Lodi Efficiency Committee